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Oilers captain passenger in hit-and-run

INVESTIGATION Vancouver police are investigating a hit-and-run involving Ethan Moreau, captain of the Edmonton Oilers.

Const. Jana McGuinness said that just after midnight on Aug. 14, police received a call about a car backing over a parked motorcycle outside Joey's restaurant on Vancouver's busy Burrard Street and taking off.

Oilers spokesman Allan Watt confirmed Ethan Moreau was a passenger in the car.

Nathan Dery, owner of the motorcycle and bartender at Joey's, told CBC that he served Moreau's party that night. Over the course of 51 minutes, the party of five ordered three rounds of drinks: eight doubles, two singles and five shooters.

Dery said they then got into a Toyota 4 Runner, backed into his motorcycle, knocked it into another car and sped off.

"We investigate that right from the outset as a hit-and-run because you're required by law to remain at the scene of an accident and share your information," said McGuinness.

Both Dery and the Oilers have said the driver has come forward, CBC reported adding he is not an Oiler and plans to pay for damages. McGuinness said it is now a police matter.

A call to Watt was not returned by deadline.

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Jumpin' Jack rocks Fringe

Legal, Alta. **Soldier laid to rest**



Soldiers carry the casket of Edmonton-based soldier Master Cpl. Erin Doyle yesterday. He was laid to rest in Legal, 50 km north of Edmonton. As the funeral was under way, news was released of the deaths of three other Edmonton-based soldiers. **More coverage, page 4.**

3 soldiers killed in Afghanistan

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Flags continue to fly at half staff at the Edmonton Garrison today as soldiers mourn comrades killed in Afghanistan Wednesday, a day before they said goodbye to another fallen soldier.

The three soldiers were killed and another seriously injured, as a massive roadside bomb blasted their armoured vehicle while on patrol in Afghanistan's Zharey District.

The three soldiers were combat engineers with 12 Field Squadron, 1 Combat Regiment from Edmonton.

While serving in Afghanistan, they were part of the Second Battalion Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry Battle Group.

A husband and father of two young daughters, Sgt. Shawn Allen Eades, 33, was one of the three who died Wednesday.

"My husband was a proud and dedicated soldier. He was a strong leader who was highly respected by those around him," said Eades's wife Lisa Schamehorn in a written statement. "He died doing what he loved — being a soldier."

The other two fallen soldiers are Cpl. Dustin Roy Robert Joseph Wasden and Sapper Stephan John Stock.



From left, Sgt. Shawn Eades, Cpl. Dustin Wasden and Sapper Stephan Stock were killed Wednesday in Afghanistan.

Eades, who joined the military when he was 18, was on his third mission in Afghanistan and firmly believed in his mission and knew he was making a difference for the Afghan people, said Schamehorn.

The commander of the Canadian forces in Afghanistan said the attack

was part of a more aggressive pattern by the Taliban this year.

"I don't know that the Taliban are getting stronger. What I'd say is they're much more aggressive this fighting season than they've been in the past," said Brig. Gen. Denis Thompson in Afghanistan.

"The difference is they're not holding any of the ground they're attacking us on."

Ninety-three Canadian soldiers have been killed in Afghanistan, and the four most recent deaths were all from the Edmonton Garrison, including Master Cpl. Erin Doyle who was laid to rest yesterday at a full military service in Legal, 50 km north of Edmonton.

"This is a heartbreaker, I heard about this as soon as I was getting ready to go to the church," said Ollie Weeks, a former airborne soldier and one of 300 people who attended the service in Legal.

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Local



Valley Zoo-Fari

This Sunday, the Valley Zoo welcomes guests for a Zoo-Fari event: *Creatures in Crisis — On The Edge of Extinction*. The four-hour event will focus on the impact of pollution on the environment and the animal kingdom. Starting at noon, there will be animal encounters, face painting and a lesson on which zoo animals are endangered. **METRO EDMONTON**

Dads fighting for their right

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A group of dads in disguise took to the streets of downtown Edmonton yesterday, shouting loud and clear for their right to parent their children.

Fathers 4 Justice, a group dedicated to changing the Divorce Act so both mom and dad have equal rights to children in a divorce, are on a cross-country tour to the nation's capital.

When the group arrives in Ottawa Oct. 7, they plan to take their case straight to the House of Commons, in an effort to give dads a fighting chance in custody battles.

The Private Member's Motion M-483 is being introduced in the House by

Route to Ottawa

• Next along the route for the "Everyday Superheroes," who are driving the countryside in a purple van, are stops in Lloydminster, Saskatoon, Regina and Brandon.

MP Maurice Vellacott and if the dads get their way, will introduce equal parenting rights after divorce.

Organizer Jerry Bernard shouted to lunch-breakers in Churchill Square yesterday afternoon, informing the unaware about the plight of single fathers.

"I'm a divorced father. It's been 10 years and my kids are teenagers now, but I've been fighting in court all this time," he said. "It's cost both my ex and I thousands of dollars,

when really, it should have been automatically equal."

Group spokeswoman Melanie Greenfield said the laws in place favour mothers in the event of a divorce.

"Generally mom gets the kids and dad has to fight to even see them at all. It's terrible."

Passing by with his two children, Shaun Smith said he was intrigued by what the group of dads, many dressed as superheroes, had to say.

"I love being a stay-at-home dad," he said, holding his seven-month-old son, Joshua, to his chest. "I think the legislation that's in now is poorly worded. I think that what these guys are going for is equity, not going overboard for men's rights."



Shaun Smith watches members of Fathers 4 Justice, dressed as Batman and Robin, in Churchill Square yesterday.

Two years on, Cops still search for Stewart

MISSING It's been two years since 70-year-old Stephanie Stewart disappeared while working in a lookout tower near Hinton and investigators are no closer to knowing how or why she went missing.

On Aug. 26, 2006, Stewart, a wife, mother and long-time employee, failed to report in to her supervisor, which was part of her duties as a fire tower worker.

An extensive search turned up no signs of Stewart.

Investigators determined the disappearance was not the result of an accident or predator attack and are treating the case as homicide.

The Alberta Government and Alberta Union of Public Employees are offering a \$20,000 reward for information in Stewart's disappearance. **METRO EDMONTON**

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What's online today.

Watch a report on the re-opening of Banff's main drag, a biologist's explanation of the bacteria behind the recent food poisoning outbreak, the latest BlackBerry device to hit store shelves in action
Read about Alouettes running back Avon Cobourne in Marty York's CFL Report

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TV Less than a year ago, Earl Stevenson was living a mild-mannered life as a backhoe operator in Lloydminster.

Now, when he visits his hometown, he can barely keep a herd of fans from chasing him down the

street screaming his name. With his down-home charm and rootsy sound, he's earned his way into the top four of this year's race for Canadian Idol status.

"It's been intense," he said while en route to Toronto's Pearson Airport. "I'm getting more comfortable with

the cameras and am more willing to be myself the farther I go along."

Over the past few weeks, Stevenson says he's been working hard to show Canadian viewers every side of Earl. Though he says his greatest influences are Bob Marley, Neil Young and Dave Matthews, he's

been getting out of his comfort zone and recently tackled a Joe Cocker track.

This small-town boy says the transition to a suddenly famous lifestyle hasn't been without periods of adjustment.

"It's all worthwhile, but it's too much sometimes," he admitted.

Barrelling ahead alongside Stevenson, is fellow Al-

bertain Theo Tams, a soulful pianist from Lethbridge.

Stevenson will appear tonight for a special performance at the fair grounds in Lloydminster. The entire town is standing behind the rising star, hoping his talent will put the border city on the map.

The next episode of Canadian Idol airs Monday at 9 p.m. on CTV.



Earl Stevenson



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Edmonton soldier honoured

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News of three Edmonton-based soldiers killed in Afghanistan added to the sorrow of mourners saying goodbye yesterday to Master Cpl. Erin Doyle in a small town church north of Edmonton.

Close to 300 people packed into the St. Emile Church yesterday in Legal at a military service.

Friends and family say the 32-year-old was a big man who was large on life.

Doyle, a member of the Edmonton Garrison's Third Battalion Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry, died in a battle with insurgents at an outpost in the Panjwayi district of Kandahar province last week.

The Kamloops-born soldier was protecting the outpost when it was attacked with rocket-propelled grenades and small arms fire.

"He was just home on leave recently and bought a new motorcycle," said Ollie Weeks, a retired air-



Soldiers march at the funeral of Master Cpl. Erin Doyle, a Legal, Alta. native, yesterday. Doyle was killed while protecting his outpost in the Kandahar province of Afghanistan last week.

borne soldier and member of the Edmonton Falcons, a war veterans' motorcycle club. With the news of three more Edmonton-based soldiers lost in battle, Weeks said the service was difficult for him: "You wonder how many of these we will have to go through before we get this

straightened away."

The only noise that was heard when Doyle's casket was carried into the church was the wind blowing through the trees.

"There is a lot of people you see walking around in (military) green," said ruck driver Eric Bradfield.

"Anybody that offers to

do a job for the country like this, you have to give them respect. What they do isn't easy."

Three more Canadian soldiers were killed by a roadside bomb: Cpl. Dustin Roy Robert Joseph Wasden, Sapper Stephen John Stock and Sgt. Shawn Allen Eades.

Province boosts pediatric facilities

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MEDICINE Babies are booming and to help ease the burden placed on the province's premiere pediatric health care facility, the province has kicked in funding to improve care for our newest citizens.

A boost of \$23 million is being invested to improve access to emergency medical services for both patients at the Stollery Children's Hospital and the University of Alberta Hospital.

"Unprecedented population growth across the province has exceeded what is expected for a patient load," said Alberta Health and Wellness spokesman John Tuckwell.

"Of all those new babies being born, many end up going to emergency with

their parents in the first few years of life."

In the past year, there has been an 18 per cent increase in babies born in Edmonton and a subsequent strain placed on Stollery staff and resources.

Plans to improve patient care include creating a new intake area, 23 treatment spaces and a kid-

friendly trauma room. Additionally, a new fast-track area will be added to both the Stollery and U of A Hospital,


to address non-complex cases quickly.

"It's increasing access for more patients and will provide adequate treatment space for more patients throughout the day," he said, adding that hospital staff should be commended for working tirelessly in cramped quarters.


Tuckwell said it's hoped the new facilities will be operational by fall 2010.

"Many end up going to emergency ... in the first few years of life."

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Festival The artist at work



Four-year-old Taryn Hillerud applies her favourite colour to a series of Hawaiian-themed panels painted by children in the Kids Fringe area of the Fringe Festival in Old Strathcona. Upon completion the panels will be hung in the entrance of the TransAlta Arts Barns.

Local athlete proves he's got heart

ATHLETICS Don't question Dwight Kroening's heart.

At 49, the Edmontonian will be one of 2,500 athletes taking part in an arduous test of human endurance: The Penticton Ironman Triathlon.

Kroening will be the only competitor with a transplanted heart in the combined 3.8-kilometre swim, 180-kilometre bike race and 42.2-kilometre run through B.C.'s sun-kissed

Okanagan Valley.

"I've done three Olympic (distance) and two half Ironmans," said Kroening. "I figured I'm not getting any younger."

In 1986, Kroening was diagnosed with a terminal heart disease, the result of a viral infection.

"They told me I had a death certificate and this was the date," he said.

Doctors came back, offering a slim chance: A

heart transplant.

To him, a heart transplant was science fiction, "like something out of an Orson Wells novel."

Cardiologists introduced him to some successful heart transplant recipients, including one man who was participating in triathlons.

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Will Orange County send cats flying or will they go crackers?

The Edmonton Cracker Cats take the field Sunday at Telus Field against the Orange County Flyers. The gates open at 6 p.m. and the first pitch will be thrown at 7:05 p.m. Tickets are available at the Telus Field box office. **METRO EDMONTON**

Bennett blaze sees \$3.5 million in damages, cause still unknown

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Damage from a spectacular fire Wednesday afternoon at the Bennett Environmental Education Centre is estimated at \$3.5 million.

Firefighters are still trying to pinpoint what caused the massive blaze that was believed to have been fuelled by a ruptured gas line.

Investigators were on scene rummaging around the building last night, said emergency services spokeswoman

Jill McCormick.

Forty-five firefighters worked to contain the two-alarm blaze in Cloverdale that threatened to destroy the historic Bennett School, built in 1912.

McCormick said the heritage building, a favourite spot for school

field trips near 97 Avenue and 94 Street, sustained minor smoke and water damage.

Four adults fled the wing that burned safely.

They were preparing for a field trip visit from 17 junior high students.



Firefighter Dave Jensen installs a new smoke detector in the east-side community of Beverly yesterday. In coming months, the Edmonton fire department will check older homes for fire safety.

Firefighters making communities safer

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Edmonton Firefighters are trading their firehats for hardhats and checking older homes and repairing or replacing old smoke detectors.

Fire Chief Randy Wolsey said the program ran last year and was so successful it is being expanded this year.

In 2007 firefighters checked 1,200 homes and installed 770 smoke detectors, free of charge.

"Where they need replacing we are going to replace them free of charge, paid for by our sponsors the Canadian Home Builders Association and Home Depot," he said.

This year the department will check 1,600

homes and they will be ready to do the main repair that the devices need: Replacing the batteries.

The chief said last year they found so many detectors with suspect power sources that this year they are ready and have batteries on hand.

"Our goal is to make our community safer," said Wolsey.

And he said that homeowners must also be aware of the age of smoke detectors.

"The time to have a look at smoke detectors is after 10 years," said Wolsey saying after that they should be replaced.

"Smoke detectors are critical in alerting people, especially at night, that there is a fire," Wolsey said.

Petro-Canada stations almost dry

FUEL About 90 per cent of Petro-Canada's stations are bone dry across oil-and-gas hotbed Alberta, said the company yesterday.

A catalytic cracking unit, a key part of gasoline production at the company's refinery in Edmonton, was shut down last week resulting in the gasoline shortage.

Petro-Canada says 120 people are frantically working on fixing the

unit and hopes the refinery could be fully repaired by next week.

Motorists will notice the gas shortages at stations that have its price signs "zeroed out," said the company.

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McGill University professor Mark Wainberg, a trailblazer in HIV/AIDS research, has been named a chevalier of France's Légion d'honneur. The order, established by Napoleon Bonaparte in 1802, is the highest decoration in France. Chevalier ("knight") is the most common of its five grades. **SOURCE: CBC NEWS ONLINE**

Canada



Dion defends Green Shift

Sparked by some voters complaints that they had not heard enough about Liberal Leader Stéphane Dion's Green Shift plan, Dion explained yesterday that he needs the proper time to explain the plan to the public. With the potential for a Fall election looming, Dion is facing increased pressure from within his own party to topple the Tory government and work towards selling the Green Shift. **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

Maple Leaf waiting on tests

An elderly Hamilton woman is dead, six other deaths are being probed — three in Toronto — and Ontario public health officials say they expect to see more cases of listeriosis, possibly caught from ingesting tainted meat.

Maple Leaf Foods Inc. has shut down its north Toronto meat processing plant for sterilization in the wake of a massive product recall and investigators are circling their efforts around the possibility production lines 8 and 9 were spreaders of the bacterium *Listeria monocytogenes* that may have sickened 30 in Ontario alone.

"The products that tested positive (for listeria) were manufactured in July, but taking a very broad approach, we have recalled



A woman works to sterilize meat processing and packaging equipment at the Maple Leaf Foods plant in Toronto yesterday. Canadian health officials searched for more clues yesterday into the source of a listeriosis food poisoning outbreak that has caused one death.

all the products that were manufactured on that line from June 2 on," said Linda Smith, a spokesperson for

Maple Leaf.

Maple Leaf Foods has recalled more than 20 meat products, more than

500,000 kilograms, as a precautionary measure.

Results could be in by tomorrow of genetic testing

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on the meat samples that will determine if there is a link to the recalled Maple Leaf products, said Dr. Brian Evans, executive vice-president of Canada's Food Inspection Agency.

"Saturday's test will tell us definitively whether the meat products that have been taken out of the marketplace at this time whether that meat product is in fact the same that led to the illness in the people," he told reporters in Ottawa.

A total of 38 cases have been examined — 13 are confirmed to be the same strain of the bacteria

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American war resister preparing to plead guilty

DEPORTED The first American war resister deported from Canada will plead guilty to charges of desertion in a military court martial hearing today in Colorado, and will likely be sentenced this afternoon, his lawyer said yesterday.

Robin Long, 25, lived in Canada for three years after he defected from the army in 2005 while fleeing a scheduled deployment to Iraq. He was deported on July 15, following several failed attempts to earn refugee status or permanent residency in this country, and has since languished in a trio of American military and civilian prisons. The plea comes after his attorney reached a pre-trial agreement with military prosecutors last week.



Robin Long

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Mother, alleged child abductor both face charges

ALLEGED ABDUCTION A Winnipeg mother said she did what any mother would do when she attacked the man with a pipe after a man allegedly tried to abduct and sexually assault her 10-year-old daughter.

Police said they are considering laying charges against the mother and the man.

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30 protest police treatment

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city's stance

• The city of Halifax said public safety made it necessary to send so many police to the site.

PROTEST Seven people lodged complaints against the Halifax Regional Police yesterday for allegedly using excessive force and being unnecessarily cruel during a recent protest about a road widening.

The complaints were made during a noon demonstration involving

about 30 people outside police headquarters yesterday.

Brennan Vogel, who says he was arrested and harmed by police while protesting the city's controversial project to widen Chebucto Road, called for a public inquiry.

B.C. workers submit to drug testing

ANDREA WOO
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HEALTH Unionized construction workers in B.C. suspected of drinking or doing drugs on the job will now be subject to testing.

The new policy, which comes from an agreement between employers and unions, will affect those who have caused workplace accidents or near-misses and are suspected to have been under the influence after an investigation.

"I've heard stories of people getting high on the job and taking hours away from the job. If you've caused an accident then for sure you should be tested"

Pipe layer Greg Villeneuve

Pipe layer Greg Villeneuve of GPM Fire Protection Ltd. supports the new policy.

"I've heard stories of people getting high on the job and taking hours away from the job," he said. "If you've caused an accident then for sure you should be tested."

Employers can also require workers to be tested before entering a site or if they have reasonable suspicion. The tests will cover alcohol and nine types of drugs.

Random drug-testing is prohibited in B.C. under the Charter of Rights and Freedoms.

SIC challenges gag order

IMMIGRATION In a public showdown between immigration consultants and their regulators, an industry advocacy group is suing the Canadian Society of Immigration Consultants challenging the gag order that it imposes on its members.

The lawsuit, filed this week by the 600-member Canadian Association of Professional Immigration Consultants, came after its board members openly endorsed the sweeping changes recommended by a parliamentary committee in June to revamp the

self-regulatory body.

On June 24, the regulator launched complaints against the association for allegedly breaching its code of ethics by drawing "discredit on the society and the profession."

The consultants' association is asking the court to dismiss the regulator's complaints and disciplinary policy and terminate the investigation because the body "does not have the authority to discipline members who express their views on matters of public interest."

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News in brief

ELECTION POLITICS Prime Minister Stephen Harper would be "misguided" if he chose to call a federal election before Parliament resumes sitting on Sept. 15, NDP Leader Jack Layton said yesterday. Layton was campaigning in advance of next month's byelection in Quebec.

WINNIPEG TASER Several police officers suffered minor injuries trying to arrest a man who allegedly punched a Winnipeg transit bus driver, and scuffled with police even after he had been Tasered yesterday.

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Nova Scotia Premier Rodney MacDonald, in a statement against federal Liberal Leader Stéphane Dion's call for a national carbon tax, yesterday said if Nova Scotians calculate the cost of their carbon tax bill it could be an additional \$400 a year. **METRO CANADA**

All the buzz about Aldrin

Once, he walked on the moon. This weekend he will walk among grown men and women dressed like Klingons, Jedi and cape-clad superheroes.

Edwin "Buzz" Aldrin, the second man to set foot on Earth's only natural satellite, is a special guest at this weekend's Fan Expo—Toronto's annual comic book and science fiction convention.

He has written an account of his journey to the moon, produced video games on space exploration, patented a design for a space station, worked on designs for new spacecraft, lobbied congress for a reinvestment in NASA, punched a conspiracy theorist in the face, written a science fiction novel about aliens visiting our solar system and lent his voice to an animated movie.

Aldrin has earned a repu-

tation for the bizarre and is angered by accusations that he mistook floating panels for what he is alleged to have reported as a UFO on the moon mission.

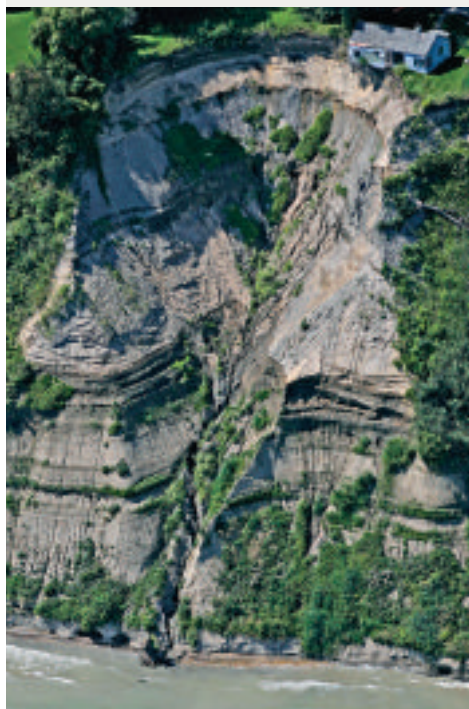
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"I don't know why it's so hard for the public to accept...Why would there be such an obsession with the bizarre?"

Edwin "Buzz" Aldrin

punching a man who accused him of being a liar and was lambasting the Apollo 11 mission as a hoax. He doesn't expect to meet any "Apollo Landing Deniers" in Toronto, but says he's ready if he does. "If they bother me, I might poke them in the face," he jokes. **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

Toronto Teeterhouse



A tiny dwelling, which once belonged to beloved Canadian actor-comedian Billy Van, in a Toronto suburb now teeters over the bluffs. The cottage is one of the few original homes left along the embankment. The ground literally fell out from underneath the rest over the past three decades.

Local families dealing with soldier casualties

DEATHS The only things he loved more than being a soldier were the two little girls who clung to him every time he left for Afghanistan.

"He loved his girls, and it was very hard for him to go away,"

Shawn Eades' grieving widow said yesterday.

Lisa Schamehorn must now find a way to explain to Breanna, 7, and Niya, 4, why the father they saw off three times to Afghanistan won't be coming home.

Sgt. Eades, Sapper Stephan Stock and Cpl. Dustin Wasden, combat engineers based out of Edmonton, were killed in Afghanistan Wednesday in the deadliest attack on Canadian forces in more than a year.

Their deaths bring the toll in Afghanistan to 93

soldiers.

A Canadian diplomat, Glyn Berry was also killed.

Eades was a proud and dedicated soldier who died doing what he loved, Schamehorn said in a statement.

"Shawn was on his third mission in Afghanistan. He believed in what he was doing and he knew he was making a difference for the people there."

Floyd Wasden, a second cousin of Cpl. Wasden, said the family is large and close-knit.

"Privacy is the best thing right now," he said yesterday.

Before his deployment to Afghanistan in 2007, Wasden said danger was part of the job.

"It's one of the things that's a risk when you sign up," he said.

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Do you have psoriasis on your face?

Do you know someone who does?

Psoriasis is a life long skin disease that causes dry, red scaly patches (called "lesions") on the skin. **FACIAL PSORIASIS** most often affects the eyebrows, the skin between the nose and upper lip, the upper forehead and the hairline.

Right now, a local dermatologist is looking for volunteers to participate in a facial psoriasis research study involving an investigational treatment.

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World



Lighting up the screen

Tobacco promotions and depictions of smoking in movies cause teenagers to start smoking, according to a sweeping report on tobacco in the media released yesterday. Three-quarters or more of hit movies depict cigarette smoking, and specific brands can be identified in about one-third, the report said. **REUTERS**

Stop wasting food, report urges

The United States and some other developed states throw away nearly a third of their food each year, according to a report that said yesterday the world was producing more than enough to feed its population.

The report, produced by the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization, the International Water Management Institute and the Stockholm Interna-

\$48.3B The authors said that in the United States, up to 30 per cent of food, worth some \$48.3 billion, is thrown away each year.

tional Water Institute, called for a 50 per cent reduction in the amount of food wasted after production by 2025.

Since huge amounts of water are required to produce crops and other foodstuffs, cutting waste would boost water supplies for agriculture and household use.

"More than enough food is produced to feed a healthy global population," said the report, released during an annual week-long conference on global water issues in Stockholm. **REUTERS**

U.S. presses Russia

Russia said it would complete a pullback of troops in Georgia by the end of today but it stopped short of the extensive withdrawal demanded by the West, saying it would keep a force deep inside Georgia's heartland.

Western states grew increasingly impatient that Russian troops remain inside Georgia nearly a week after a ceasefire ended a war that broke out when Tbilisi tried to retake its breakaway South Ossetia region.

"The withdrawal needs to take place, and needs to take place now," a White House spokesman said, and accused Russia of breaking a promise to leave Georgia. Moscow said it was honouring the French-brokered ceasefire agreement.

Russian defence officials said what they called reinforcement troops would be pulled back to within South Ossetia by the end



A girl stands during a rally in Tskhinvali yesterday, where South Ossetia's leader said he would ask the Kremlin to recognize its independence from Georgia. **REUTERS**

of today, and from there withdrawn to Russian soil within 10 days.

Tbilisi says Moscow is trying to annex its territory. **REUTERS**



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McCain out of touch on the economy, Obama says

Democrat Barack Obama attacked Republican John McCain yesterday for not knowing how many houses he owns and said it proves his presidential rival is out of touch with the economic struggles of most Americans.

Obama questioned the lifestyle of McCain. In an interview Wednesday with the Politico newspaper, McCain was asked how many houses he owns with his wife and heiress, Cindy. "I think — I'll have my staff get to you," McCain replied. "It's condominiums where — I'll have them get to you." The Politico said McCain's staff

counted "at least" four houses, although other media reported at least seven.

Obama noted McCain said last week that making \$5 million US was his definition of being rich, and that McCain said the economy was "fundamentally strong."

By making such statements, "it's not surprising that you might think the economy was fundamentally strong," Obama said. McCain's campaign pointed out that Obama's house in Chicago's affluent Hyde Park neighbourhood is worth more than \$1.5 million US.

REUTERS

Two McCain offices evacuated

THREAT Two offices of John McCain's U.S. presidential campaign, in Colorado and New Hampshire, were evacuated yesterday, and several staffers were hospitalized, after a threatening letter arrived in the mail containing an unidentified white powder.

But within hours, the letter was traced by authorities to a Colorado jail inmate who has a history of sending threatening mail, and initial tests of the envelope and its contents turned up negative for hazardous materials, the U.S. Secret Service said. **REUTERS**

Bombers kill 59 in Pakistan

DEATH TOLL Two Pakistani Taliban suicide bombers blew themselves up outside the country's main defence industry complex yesterday, killing at least 59 people as workers were leaving at the end of their shift, officials said.

Other sources put the death toll higher. State television quoted hospital officials as saying it had reached 71. **REUTERS**

News in brief

IRAQ Although it contains no fixed date for United States troops to withdraw, Iraq and the U.S. have drafted an agreement that says Iraq would like combat troops out by 2011. Some patrols could end by the middle of next year.

PARIS France paid national tribute to 10 soldiers killed in Afghanistan yesterday, and it had some government officials debating and rethinking the consequences of the country's Afghan operations. **REUTERS**

Economy under par? Don't play golf, South Korean president says

South Korea's President Lee Myung-bak has told officials to give up golf for the moment because it sends the wrong signal just as the economy has hit the rough. Golf is hugely popular in Korea, but the high cost sees many players fly off to cheaper parts of Asia for a game. **REUTERS**

world **13****Face transplants can succeed, studies show**

MEDICINE New faces given to a Chinese man after a bear tore off part of his face and a French-Caribbean man disfigured by a rare tumour show that such transplants can work and are not medical oddities, researchers reported yesterday in the Lancet medical journal.

Despite recurrent episodes of tissue rejection in the first year after their transplants, neither man had psychological problems accepting their new faces and have been able to rejoin society, they reported.

Only three people have received face transplants. The world's first was carried out on French woman, Isabelle Dinoire, in November 2005 after she was disfigured in an attack by her dog. **REUTERS**

South Africa Mandela statue unveiled at prison

Former South African president Nelson Mandela speaks with an aide behind a statue that was unveiled at the Groot Drakenstein prison in Paarl near Cape Town yesterday. Mandela was finally released from the prison in February 1990, ending his 28-year incarceration.

Karadzic trial gets new judge

Former Bosnian Serb leader Radovan Karadzic got his wish for a different judge yesterday when the UN tribunal for former Yugoslavia assigned his war crimes case to a new chamber on procedural grounds.

Earlier this week, Karadzic demanded the United Nations tribunal in The Hague replace the judges who were overseeing the preparatory stage of his trial for charges including genocide.

When prosecutors informed the tribunal that they were no longer trying to combine Karadzic's case with that of another suspect, his case was assigned to a different trial chamber.

Karadzic, arrested in July after 11 years on the run, had argued the pre-trial presiding judge, Alphons Orie, had a "personal interest" in his case because he had participated in previous trials and would want those judgments validated.

A tribunal official said the assignment of new judges for the case was not in response to Karadzic's request.

Background

• Karadzic is before the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia (ICTY) to face two charges of genocide over the 43-month siege of Sarajevo and the 1995 massacre of 8,000 Muslims at Srebrenica, the worst atrocity in Europe since the Second World War.

The tribunal said later that Karadzic's motion to the president of the UN body was moot because the case had been assigned to a different trial chamber.

The newly appointed judges include judges Patrick Robinson, Jean-Claude Antonetti and Iain Bonomy.

The tribunal has not yet named a presiding judge.

Karadzic is due back in court Aug. 29. If he refuses to enter a plea, as he did at his initial appearance in July, a plea of "not guilty" will be entered for him.

REUTERS**Nuclear suppliers propose terms for deal between U.S. and India**

MEDICINE Nuclear supplier nations yesterday proposed conditions for lifting a global ban on fuel and technology exports to

India, a step required to implement a U.S.-India nuclear co-operation deal.

A green light from the Nuclear Suppliers Group is

needed for the deal, which has drawn criticism because India has never joined the Non-Proliferation Treaty (NPT), to proceed to the U.S. Congress for final ratification.

Diplomats said up to 20 NSG states tabled the conditions of the deal. **REUTERS**

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Burger King profit up, shares down
Burger King Holdings Inc. posted a stronger-than-expected profit yesterday, but its shares fell more than 4 percent as renovations and higher food costs eroded margins. **REUTERS**

Business

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Gas prices pumping up Canadian inflation rate

Soaring gasoline prices drove Canada's inflation rate in July to its highest in more than five years, but the upswing was widely expected and did little to change the view that the central bank will keep interest rates on hold in September.

The annual inflation rate quickened to 3.4 per cent in July from 3.1 per cent in June, the highest rate since March 2003, Statistics Canada said yesterday.

But the core rate that is closely watched by the

Rate cuts

- Some economists expect rate cuts by the bank as soon as the fourth quarter of this year or early 2009.

Bank of Canada stayed well within the bank's target at 1.5 per cent for the fourth straight month.

The consumer price index rose 0.3 per cent in the month, in line with market forecasts.

But there was little evidence that high energy prices were trickling into prices of other goods as the core index, which excludes gasoline and other volatile items, advanced by a lower-than-expected 0.1 per cent.

The inflationary pressure comes as no surprise to the Bank of Canada, which is expected to hold rates steady at three per cent on Sept. 3 on the view that inflation will ease to the bank's two per cent target by late 2009. **REUTERS**

Canadian watchdog eases rules on telephone rates

TELECOM Canadian telephone companies will soon be allowed to change their phone rates without the need for prior regulatory approval, the country's telecom watchdog said yesterday.

Providers such as BCE Inc., Telus and Rogers Communications Inc. will be able make immediate changes to their tariffs as of Oct. 6, but the changes must stay within previously imposed limits, the

Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission said in a statement.

The CRTC said the policy change would cut down on paperwork and make pricing procedures more efficient.

"The commission will retain its powers to take corrective action should it find that a company has not abided by these rules," the regulator announced.

REUTERS

Iraq sees possible oil oversupply

OIL Oil supplies may be running slightly ahead of current world demand, Iraqi Oil Minister Hussain al-Shahrastani has said.

Shahrastani would not say if the situation meant OPEC needed to cut output at its September meeting, saying the group would have to first review its market data.

OPEC will convene on Sept. 9 to discuss output policy. Iraq doesn't participate in OPEC's production quota system. **REUTERS**

Business in brief

IPHONE Apple Inc. has agreed to a distribution deal with carrier Mobile TeleSystems on the sale of iPhones in Russia. The devices are not yet sold officially in Russia, but they have become a status symbol in Moscow with unauthorised sales of phones brought into

Russia in suitcases or sent into the country by courier.

ITUNES The downloading of music for iPod players has hit a mysterious glitch in China, stumping users and raising fears the government has blocked Apple's iTunes site

over pro-Tibet lyrics.

UNEMPLOYMENT The number of U.S. workers filing new claims for jobless benefits fell last week for a second week in a row, though they continued at levels that showed a weakening labour market. **REUTERS**

Oil prices up by five per cent

SECTORS Oil prices rose nearly five per cent yesterday, the biggest gain in more than two months, driven by tensions between the United States and energy behemoth Russia.

Prices have rebounded more than \$9 from lows earlier this week, which put a dramatic end to a slide of more than \$20 since mid-July, leaving analysts mixed over whether oil's next big move is up or down. **REUTERS**

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Gary Reed of Kamloops, B.C., qualified for men's 800-metre final yesterday in pouring rain in Beijing. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

Beijing Games

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From banned to gold

Canadian Lamaze eclipses drug scandals with medal

Canada's Eric Lamaze, who missed two Games because of drugs bans, won the Olympic show jumping gold after two dramatic jump-offs yesterday.

In a thrilling climax to the equestrian events, Lamaze put his past troubles behind him to beat Sweden's Rolf-Goran Bengtsson for top spot. American Beezie Madden took bronze.

"The past is the past and if this doesn't make people forgive and talk to me about this all the time, I don't know what will," said Lamaze, a resident of Schomberg, Ont.

"There were days when this was only a dream. Now it's a reality," he added.

The 40-year-old Lamaze, who won silver as part of the Canadian equestrian team event earlier in the week, was thrown off the Canadian teams for the 1996 and 2000 Games after testing positive for cocaine on two separate occasions.

He also tested positive for a banned diet supplement in 2000 and has received two lifetime bans during his career, both of which were overturned after he appealed them.

REUTERS



Eric Lamaze of Schomberg, Ont., riding Hickstead, celebrates his win in the final round of the individual jumping equestrian event yesterday at the Olympic Games in Hong Kong.

Silver lining for Heymans after Athens heartbreak

DIVING Emilie Heymans assuaged the pain of losing an Olympic medal which had seemed hers in 2004 and bounced back with a silver on the platform yesterday in Beijing.

The native of St-Lambert, Que., saw her dreams dissolve in Athens when her final dive went wrong and she dropped from second to fourth.

Heymans unleashed a series of excellent dives, with the home crowd roaring on teenage favourites Chen Ruolin and Wang Xin, and came desperately close to becoming the first diver to beat the Chinese at these Games.

Chen eventually took gold and Wang the bronze.

"It's a really long time and you never know what can happen in four years. But I've been training real-



Emilie Heymans of St-Lambert, Que., was nearly perfect yesterday in the women's 10-metre platform diving final.

ly hard and I'm just glad that everything is over now," said Heymans.

"... I worked a lot on the head part and believed in myself and know that I can do really good as well."

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Veronica Campbell-Brown, left, won the Olympic 200 metre final yesterday to complete a Jamaican sweep of all four individual sprint golds at the Games. Campbell-Brown ran a career-best 21.74 seconds to finish ahead of American Allyson Felix and fellow Jamaican Kerron Stewart. **REUTERS**

Athletics

Beijing Games

Disappointing final for Cools

BMX Anne-Caroline Chausson of France won the gold medal in BMX in its Olympic debut early this morning after gold medal favourite Shanaze Reade of Britain crashed out on the final corner.

Laetitia Le Corguille of France won the silver and American Jill Kintner took the bronze.

Sammy Cools of Airdrie, Alta., crashed before the first curve and placed seventh. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

Medal count

Rank	Nation	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
#1	U.S.	29	34	32	95
#2	China	46	15	22	83
#3	Russia	16	16	19	51
#4	Britain	17	12	11	40
#5	Australia	11	13	14	38
#6	Germany	11	8	12	31
#7	France	4	12	14	30
#8	South Korea	10	10	6	26
#9	Japan	9	6	9	24
#10	Italy	6	7	8	21
#11	Ukraine	5	5	9	19
#12	Netherlands	6	5	4	15
#12	Canada	3	7	5	15
#14	Cuba	2	6	6	14

(Count at the end of Day 13)

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Canadian Olympians doing great, but can do better with more cash

YorkReport

Marty York

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The feast this week has, of course, been substantially more satisfying and more gratifying than the famine last week for Canada's Olympic squad.

After collecting exactly zero medals in Week 1, our athletes entered competition this morning with 15 — three of them gold. They also climbed into a 12th-place tie in the medal standings, which is noteworthy because the Canadian Olympic Committee had set a pre-Games objective of finishing among the top 16 countries.

When all is said and done in Beijing this week-end, Canadians won't

need to bury their heads in shame. There won't be any countries you've never heard of ahead of Canada in the standings. And we'll wind up well ahead of many other proud and prominent nations, including Sweden, Austria and Greece.

We will not be red-faced. We will not be humiliated. We will not be embarrassed.

Still, while the Canadian team will leave Beijing with more hardware than its predecessors in 2004 and 2000 at Athens and Sydney, respectively, it will be hard-pressed to match the 22 medals Canada earned at Atlanta in the 1996 Summer Games. And it will come nowhere close to the Canadian-best 44 medals amassed at Los An-

geles in 1984.

"It's a shame, frankly, because we really could be doing much better in Beijing," lamented **Jane Roos**, founder of a decade-old charity devoted to raising funds for Canada's Olympians.

"Our athletes do everything on their own personal power to increase their chances of becoming medallists,

but we as a nation could provide them with the direct funding that could enhance their performances. Our rowers, for example, need to eat 6,000 calories a day. How do you eat that much from \$1,500 a month from the Government? Our rowers shouldn't need to worry about how they're going to pay their food bills.

"Our athletes are at a major disadvantage when it comes to funding"

Jane Roos

Big names benefit from fund

Canadian medallists who received funding from Jane Roos and canadianathletesnow.ca include hurdler Priscilla Lopes-Schliep, trampoliners Jason Burnett and Karen Cockburn, wrestlers Carol Huynh and Tonya Verbeek and rowers Tracy Cameron, Melanie Kok,

Kevin Light, Ben Rutledge, Jake Wetzel, Malcolm Howard, Dominic Seiterle, Kyle Hamilton, Brian Price, Adam Kreek, Scott Frandsen, David Calder, Ian Brambell and Mike Lewis. "We couldn't have won these medals," Kreek said, "without Jane and her fund."

They shouldn't need to worry about how they'll pay their coach or how they'll get to training camps."

Roos has come up with an innovative eight-dollar donation/sponsorship program in a bid to help future Canadian Olympians.

"Our athletes are at a major disadvantage when it comes to funding," she said. "Canadians need to realize that, if they donated a mere eight dollars, they could impact the lives of Canadian athletes and, indirectly, impact

their own lives, because I guarantee our results at the next Olympics would be more impressive and more satisfying."

Canadian kayaking king and flag-bearer **Adam van Koeverden** is personally donating \$800 to his fellow Olympians.

"This," van Koeverden said, "is a vital program for our athletes' future."

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The oft-injured Carl Pavano is scheduled to start for the New York Yankees on Saturday in Baltimore, according to the Newark Star Ledger. The 32-year-old inked a four-year, \$39.95 million contract with the Yankees before the 2005 season, but has played in just 19 games. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

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Toronto	66	61	.520	11½	Cleveland	62	65	.488	11½
Baltimore	61	65	.484	16	Kansas City	59	67	.468	14
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San Francisco	73	53	.579	—	Milwaukee	73	55	.570	5½
Washington	72	54	.571	1	St. Louis	71	58	.550	8
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Esks shut down 'Riders

Eskimos running back rushes for 189 yards in victory

ROBIN BROWNLEE
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Eskimos 27 Roughriders 10

Better late than never.
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After giving up 17 straight points in a 34-13 loss to the Saskatchewan Roughriders to open their CFL schedule June 28, the Edmonton Eskimos turned the tables in a big way last night.

Down 10-0 early, the Eskimos gave a crowd of 48,808 at Commonwealth Stadium plenty to cheer about as they reeled off 27 straight points on the way to a 27-10 victory.

It's a win that not only ups the Esks' dominance over Saskatchewan on home turf to 10-1 in the last 11 meetings, it's an outcome that improves them to 5-3 and keeps them within hailing distance of the 6-2 Roughriders in the West Division coming out of the bye-week.

While quarterback Ricky Ray has been the story most games this season, running back A.J. Harris grabbed the spotlight, not to mention the pigskin, as he lugged the ball 21 times for 189 yards to lead the comeback.

Trailing by double-digits on a 35-yard Weston



Saskatchewan Roughriders' back Wes Cates, left, and his teammates couldn't find a way past the Edmonton Eskimos defence last night, as the Eskimos beat the Roughriders 27-10.

Dressler touchdown catch, a safety and a Jamie Boreham single before the game was eight minutes old, the Esks had absolutely nothing going early.

But after needing almost 13 minutes to get their initial first down, the Esks put the clamps on Marcus Crandell and the Saskatchewan offence and got their attack jump-started — they had scoring drives of 80, 72 and 93 yards to score 17 straight points by halftime.

Harris got his big night started by zigging and zagging 36 yards through flailing Saskatchewan tacklers to cut it to 10-7 before the end of the first quarter.

Kamau Peterson hauled in an eight-yard pass from Ray eight minutes into the second quarter to cap a six-play march. Noel Prefontaine sent the Esks to halftime up 17-10 with a nine-yard field goal.

Prefontaine kicked around the Green Gang a bit more for good measure

later, adding fields goals of 42, 33 and 12 yards to go with a 35-yard single.

SHORT YARDAGE ... the Eskimos' record for rushing in a single game belongs to Sean Millington, who rushed 29 times for 225 yards against Saskatchewan on Oct. 30, 1999 ... the 189-yard performance by Harris ties him for fifth all-time with Troy Davis behind on-ly Millington, Ron McClen-don (198 yards), Normie Kwong (192 yards) and Jim Thomas (191 yards).

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Jays gives Yankees a spanking

Blue Jays 14 Yankees 3

MLB Roy Halladay was his usual dominant self on the mound while Marco Scutaro matched a career-high with four hits and four runs driven in and also scored three times, as the Toronto Blue Jays crushed the New York Yankees, 14-3, last night to cap a three-game set.

Halladay (15-9) yielded just three runs on five hits while fanning nine and walking two batters over seven frames. Alex Rios and Matt Stairs both had three RBI for the Blue Jays, who have won seven of their last nine. John Mc-



Yankees starting pitcher Sidney Ponson had after a rough start last night. The Jays beat the Yankees 14-3.

Donald also knocked in a pair in the win. Joe Inglett had a career-high four hits.

Sidney Ponson (7-4) suffered the loss as he was pounded for seven runs on

eight hits in just two-plus innings. Hideki Matsui accounted for all of the New York offense with a three-run homer in the seventh.

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Jays get Bautista from Pirates

MLB The Toronto Blue Jays acquired infielder Jose Bautista from the Pittsburgh Pirates yesterday, for a player to be named later.

The Pirates demoted the third baseman Bautista to Triple-A Indianapolis last week after he hit .242 with 12 home runs and 44 RBI in 107 games with the big club.

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Sports in brief

NFL The Pittsburgh Steelers signed linebacker James Farrior, a 12-year veteran that signed with Pittsburgh in 2002, to a five-year contract yesterday. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

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Anna's in the house Pg 20



Anna Faris stars as the centre(fold) of the movie *The House Bunny*, in which a Playboy bunny gets kicked out of the Playboy Mansion and moves in with a clan of sorority girls. The movie opens today.

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Bunny hop past this dud

House Bunny

Director: Fred Wolf
Stars: Anna Faris, Colin Hanks
Classification: PG
Rating: ★

STEVE GOW
for Metro Canada

REVIEW According to the movie's production notes, *The House Bunny* is about a Playboy model "who teaches an awkward sorority about the opposite sex — only to learn that what boys really like is what's on the inside." That wasn't quite the movie I saw.

Directed by Fred Wolf (who polluted theatres earlier this year with

Strange Wilderness) and written by the team behind *Legally Blonde* (who must be legally out of ideas), this dud tells the story of the aforementioned doopey model (Anna Faris) who joins a sorority after she thinks she's ejected from the Playboy Mansion for turning 27.

Well, that is "59 in bunny years" she's told, so I guess you know what you can take away from that, ladies: After 27, feel free to leave your knickers on.

The movie aims to be a tale of empowerment but it should end up an embarrassment to any woman with a shred of dignity.

And it's not only the shallowness of the main character's primary ambi-

tion to get naked in Playboy that insults me; it's that all the characters in this film are so insipid, one-dimensional and boy-crazy that trying to squeeze any depth from this flick is like searching for theological subtext in a Jonas Brothers song.

It's a shame too because Anna Faris has proven she can provide lift to most mediocre turkeys (seen her in *Just Friends*?) but in this, her talents are wasted staggering through unfunny dialogue with flat, inane characters.

As watchable as the big-eyed beauty is, when your wittiest line is "eyes are the nipples of the face", let's be honest, it's time to euthanize the poor bunny.



Anna Faris plays a Playboy playmate who thinks she's banished in *House Bunny*.

Durst's second movie as director is something of a Longshot

The Longshots

Director: Fred Durst
Stars: Ice Cube, Keke Palmer
Classification: PG
Rating: ★★

STEVE GOW
for Metro Canada

REVIEW What do you do when you've already conquered the charts as an obnoxious front-man of a nu-metal band, supposedly slept with Britney Spears and been the subject of your own sex tape controversy?

Well, naturally, you make an overly-sentimental family film about a little girl who becomes a football player...duh!

Directed by Fred Durst (better known as the lead singer of Limp Bizkit — he's the one who "did it all for the nookie", remember?), The



Ice Cube dons a Walter Payton jersey to coach Keke Palmer in *The Longshots*, a true story of a girl who plays on a boy's football team.

Longshots tells the true story of 11-year old Jasmine Plummer (played by Keke Palmer) who, under the tutelage of Un-

cle Curtis (Ice Cube) discovered her hidden talent for football and became the first female ever to play in the es-

teemed Pop Warner Super Bowl tournament.

Now, it's no secret that the underdog story isn't an original premise

when it comes to football films (especially if you've seen *Rudy* or *Invincible*) and *The Longshots* isn't much differ-

ent.

Sure, it's based on a true story, but riddled with a formulaic plot that hinges on the now-obsolete hook that a girl can play a boys' game, well, *The Longshots* is a pretty bland concept for the big-screen.

While Ice Cube does provide some decent support as a washed-up quarterback getting a vicarious second shot at glory, the plot moves so quickly that developments are never completely played through.

Worse than that, they're short on conflict — the essence of drama.

In the end, that's the film's biggest downfall — sure, it's harmless enough, but *The Longshots*' saccharine intent to inspire is simply overbearing.

It makes me wonder — is Fred Durst feeling guilty about something?

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Movie morsels

Star Wars: The Clone Wars

REVIEW The Clone Wars sticks Anakin Skywalker and company in the middle of an intergalactic war between the clones and the droids.

In reality, this movie kicks off a new animated series and highlighting where this film truly belongs — on TV. Sure, it's an interesting combination of CGI and anime but the story itself is about as compelling as watching somebody play a videogame for 90 minutes.

Steve Gow/Metro Canada

Tropic Thunder

REVIEW Ben Stiller leads the all-star cast of Jack Black, Robert Downey Jr. and even Tom Cruise in this spoof of Hollywood egos and icons.

Stiller plays Tugg Speedman, an action star leading the cast of a fictional war film being shot in Southeast Asia.

After the movie goes over budget, the actors are sent into the jungle to capture "real fear in their eyes." Instead, the gang loses their director, gets lost themselves and fall prey to real terrorists.

The twist: They're convinced it's all part of the movie. It's a great premise and one that doesn't let down with its cast.

Steve Gow/Metro Canada

Pineapple Express

★★★★

REVIEW Produced by Judd Apatow and starring Hollywood's favourite court jester Seth Rogen, this film is a Midnight Run-type caper about a dope-smoking process server who goes on the lam with his hapless drug dealer (James Franco) after witnessing a murder.

Sure, it's a hollow story and the pacing is uneven, but this still works as an impossibly hip comedy about impossibly uncool characters.

Steve Gow/Metro Canada

Death Race is dud-ly

Death Race

Director: Paul W.S. Anderson

Stars: Jason Statham, Joan Allen

Classification: 14A

Rating: ★★

STEVE GOW
for Metro Canada

REVIEW For anyone who thinks Death Race is a remake of the cult-classic Death Race 2000 starring David Carradine — think again!

Instead, writer/director Paul W.S. Anderson (who is trying to turn his luck around after making AVP: Alien vs. Predator four years yonder) claims this was tailored to be a prequel to the original film, although that doesn't make much sense, either, since 2000 was, you know, eight years ago.

Set in the near-future, Death Race stars Jason Statham (Crank) as Jensen Ames, an innocent man



Death Race, built solely on shock value and adrenaline, has plenty of mindless action.

who goes to jail for supposedly killing his wife.

There, the former NASCAR driver is recruited to race other life-term inmates under the pseudonym of Frankenstein in a

reality-show called Death Race.

The catch: The cars are loaded with machine guns. The dangling carrot: Whoever wins, goes free.

If that sounds familiar,

you probably saw last year's The Condemned starring pro-wrestler Steve Austin. Death Race's plot is practically identical, and likewise, it's built solely on shock value and adrenaline without the quirky satirical critique on violence that fuelled the 1975 original.

Now, on its own merit, Death Race has plenty of mindless action, and indeed, some crazy car stunts and riveting death scenes.

But it's all so over-the-top — especially the script and performances.

I mean, Joan Allen is a three-time Oscar nominee, but here she seems to be playing a vicious prison warden for laughs when she threatens Ames that if he messes with her, "We'll find out who sh-ts on the sidewalk."

If only that horrible line had come from a pro-wrestler, maybe this film wouldn't have seemed so counterfeit.

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Reel Time

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SAG contract talks hurting Toronto's new mega-studio

Filmport, Toronto's mega-studio and a possible white knight for its stranded film production sector, opened its doors Wednesday with just one problem — no studio tenant.

Phase 1 of the \$60 million, 260,000-square-foot complex, which comprises seven stages, is so far without a Hollywood studio on board as the contract talks between the Screen Actors Guild and the producers drag on in Los Angeles.

Filmport Studios president Ken Ferguson predicts that the complex will fill up once the majors reach a new deal with the actors guild.

"In these challenging

"We hope Filmport can play a role in putting Toronto ... back on top."

Filmport president Ken Ferguson

times for the Toronto film industry, we needed a boost. We hope Filmport can play a role in putting Toronto where it belongs, back on top," he said at a ribbon-cutting ceremony attended by Mayor David Miller and Canadian director David Cronenberg.

Filmport, which includes a pillar-free 46,500-square-foot stage for effects-heavy studio pictures, already has leased out office space to George Romero's *Diary of the Dead 2*, which is shooting on location in Toronto.

Additionally, Universal is eyeing Filmport for its *Scott Pilgrim vs. the World* project, which is based on a comic by local writer Bryan Lee O'Malley and set in Toronto.

But with the Canadian dollar at near parity with the American greenback, and New York offering a 35 per cent tax credit, Universal producers also are considering the Big Apple as a stand-in for Toronto.

REUTERS

Movie for the masses

English comedian Steve Coogan takes a new role in *Hamlet 2*STEVE GOW
for Metro Canada

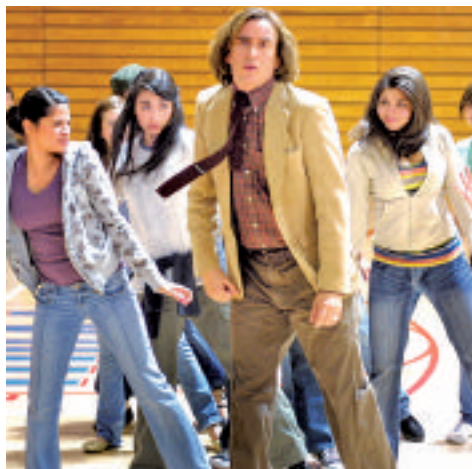
You've seen him in *A Night at the Museum* and this summer's *Tropic Thunder*.

He's been accused in the media of giving drugs to Owen Wilson. And in the U.K., he's a huge star. But if you ran into Steve Coogan on the street, you probably wouldn't recognize him.

"I'm sort of known by certain people in the industry for independent films," Coogan said during a recent interview in Toronto. "But this is the first thing I've done that's been given a platform with lots of support."

He's, of course, referring to *Hamlet 2*, his first real leading role in a big Hollywood movie.

A zany comedy about Dana Marschz — a high school drama teacher who attempts to direct a sequel to a play where all the characters died at the end



Steve Coogan says he wanted to do an "accessible" comedy.

— *Hamlet 2* is a departure for the English comedian who earned his reputation making indie flicks like *24 Hour Party People* and *Happy Endings*.

"I wanted to do a comedy film that was broad, ac-

cessible and not too esoteric," admits Coogan. "and when I read the script, this fits the bill. It's smart, but it's not hard-going; it's easy to watch."

That it is. But his character is still not typical of

most Hollywood protagonists. A failed thespian who idolizes Elizabeth Shue and pitches herpes medication on TV, Dana Marschz is not your average hero.

"He's a loser. He's a slightly tragic figure but he's an innocent too," defends Coogan of the character's consistent mess-ups.

"The audience have to like him in some way to stay with the film; you had to give him some sort of emotional momentum because he's trying to do the right thing. He's a good person; he's just a bit of an idiot, too."

With Coogan now receiving great praise for his hilarious performance, it would seem that *Hamlet 2* is sure to be just what Steve Coogan needed to finally make it in Hollywood — after 20 years in showbiz.

"If people go to see it," agrees Coogan while laughing, "I suppose it will be a breakthrough."

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9:25**Hamlet 2** (14A) Wed 12:35-3:40-6:40-9
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Stereo Digital, No Passes Fri-Wed 12:40-3:50-
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4:45-9:35**The Chronicles of Narnia: Prince
Caspian** (PG) Fri 1:20-4:40-7:40 Sat 1:20-4:40-
7:40-10:45 Sun-Thu 1:20-4:40-7:40**Dr. Seuss' Horton Hears a Who!** (G)
Fri-Thu 1:35**The Happening** (14A) Fri 1:55-4:20-7:30
Sat 1:55-4:20-7:30-11:35 Sun-Thu 1:55-4:20-7-
9:30**The Incredible Hulk** (PG) Fri 1:45-4:35-
7:15-9:55 Sat 1:45-4:35-7:15-9:55-12:10 Sun-Thu
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1:25-4:15-7:05-9:50-12:15 Sun-Thu 1:25-4:15-
7:05-9:50**Kit Kittredge: An American Girl** (G)
Fri-Thu 1:40-4:05**Kung Fu Panda** (PG) Fri 1:05-1:50-3:10-
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4:25-7:20-9:25-11:45 Sun-Thu 4:25-7:20-9:25**Meet Dave** (PG) Fri-Thu 2:05-4:45

Sex and the City (18A) Fri-Thu 6:50-9:45

Space Chimps (G) Fri 2:4-15-6:55-9:10 Sat
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4:10-7:10-9:40 Sat 1:30-4:10-7:10-9:40-12 Sun-
Thu 1:30-4:10-7:10-9:40**You Don't Mess With the Zohan**
(14A) Fri 7:25-10 Sat 7:25-10-12:15 Sun-Thu 7:25-
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Thu 1:30-4:30-6:50-9:40

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Cirque du Soleil: Delirium (G) Sat-Sun

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American Teen (PG) Fri 7-9 Sat-Sun 2-7-9
Mon-Thu 7-9**My Winnipeg** (14A) Fri 7:10-9:10 Sat-Sun
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Guitar Heroes pitch in

Dandy Warhols team up with Knopfler, Campbell on new disc

ROB MCMAHON
for Metro Canada

For drummer Brent De Boer, the high point of recording the Dandy Warhols' seventh album came in the form of a guitar.

Earth To The Dandy Warhols features the shiny steel National made famous on the cover of Dire Straits' 1985 disc Brothers in Arms.

"(Singer) Courtney (Taylor-Taylor) wanted Mark (Knopfler) to play his dobro on Love Song, and he played it," said De Boer. "That shiny guitar from the cover of (Dire Straits') Brothers in Arms — he actually played it!"

De Boers' enthusiasm grew as he explained the track also featured Tom Petty and the Heartbreakers' guitarist Mike Campbell, who arrived in the studio the day after performing at



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the Super Bowl. To add to the story, the song was started (along with Dreamt of Yes and Valerie Yum) during a studio session with electronic pioneers Massive Attack.

"We went to (Massive Attack's) studio in Bristol and drank a lot of hard cider," said De Boer, laughing.

If nothing else, the Dandies' new album — and the band itself, as featured in the 2004 documentary DIG! — are far from boring.

Headquartered in the Odditorium, a three-quarter-block studio in Portland, the psychedelic rockers' kitchen sink approach appears in everything from their musical compositions to their studio's décor.

"We have a den and a bar, a studio, and a green screen room where we filmed the Mission Control video," said De Boer. "(And) we permanently installed the three rooms used in our video for Used to Be Friends."

When writing, the Dandies typically approach each song individually and then build the album flow. Things change for the show — if an album track peaks in a wall of psychedelic noise, the group tones it down, switching the drum tempo or pulling out an acoustic guitar. But this time, De Boer explained the album (the first released on their label Beat the World Records) received some last-minute changes. The songs were all written, recorded and arranged when singer Courtney Taylor-Taylor jumped in and tweaked a few things.

"(Courtney) got this idea to put guitar over a song, and I was unsure and left the studio for a couple of hours," said De Boer. "When I returned it blew my mind — it's on Mission Control, the guitar that starts up just before the drums kick in. It really gave it a kick, almost like you're at some club in Europe."

Routine air travel takes a nosedive

SoundCheck

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Air travel is a wretched experience that is getting more awful by the day. Just last week, my flight to Winnipeg — what used to be as routine as a bus ride downtown — is now a frustrating, demeaning and hideously expensive experience.

Between uncaring gate attendants and overzealous security types, I was ready to pull the chute on the whole trip. A couple of things occurred to me during this ordeal:

• Delta, on the other hand, has created a series of contemporary mixes that apparently subconsciously gets passengers

settled in their seats faster.

• US Airways is yanking out their in-flight entertainment systems to save weight and fuel. Other airlines will be watching this with interest.

• As of Oct. 1, Air Canada will no longer hand out free headsets for their entertainment systems, which is just as well because they're uncomfortable and sound awful.

• Who buys CDs at the airport? The Virgin stores in both Toronto and Winnipeg have a decent selection, but unless you're still travelling with a portable CD player or willing to listen through your laptop, CDs seem to be a little 20th century — if you know what I mean. (At least the prices have come down. I once saw Led Zepelin IV selling at an airport store for \$26.99.)

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Glitter returns to Thailand

Disgraced glam rocker Gary Glitter returned to Bangkok yesterday after Hong Kong barred him from entering following his release from three years' prison in Vietnam for child sex abuse.

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Internet users fear iPod tunes blocked in China

The downloading of music for iPod players has hit a mysterious glitch in China, stumping scores of users and raising fears the government has blocked Apple's iTunes site over pro-Tibet lyrics, analysts said yesterday.

Since Monday, more than 60 people have posted messages in an Apple Inc. discussion forum complaining that they could not download songs for use on Apple's iPods.

Their complaints follow the release of The Art of Peace Foundation's new album Songs for Tibet, a compilation of tunes about the rights of ethnic Tibetans in China's mountainous southwest.

Tibet, which Communist troops entered in 1950, suffered violent rioting in March, which led to anti-government demonstrations across Tibetan areas of China, deeply embarrassing Beijing just

months before the Olympic Games.

Tibet's exiled spiritual leader, the Dalai Lama, accused Chinese troops of opening fire on protesters in eastern Tibet on Aug. 18.

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Microsoft, Seinfeld team up for ad campaign

LOS ANGELES Jerry Seinfeld will be one of the celebrity pitchmen in Microsoft Corp.'s \$300 million U.S. advertising campaign.

Seinfeld, best known for his eponymous NBC television sitcom, will appear in TV ads with Microsoft chairman Bill Gates and re-



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ceive about \$10 million for his work, the Wall Street Journal reported.

The new ads will likely debut on Sept. 4. **REUTERS**

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Jumpin' Jack rocks the Fringe like Mick Jagger

'Satisfaction' from this Stones-inspired play

ANDREAS MORSE
for Metro Edmonton

I'm always hesitant going into a solo show at the Fringe.

It must be difficult for someone to carry a 90-minute show by himself.

Fringe veteran, Lyle Victor Albert, did have one or two hiccups during Tuesday afternoon's performance of Jumpin' Jack, but the strong storyline managed to keep me interested throughout.

The solo play is a rock 'n' roll story, but not the kind we're used to — a side of rock 'n' roll that few hear about until the artist is dead (see James Brown).

It's the story of Mick Jagger's forgotten children, or as they're referred to in the play, Mick Jagger's Bastards (MJB).

Albert's character Jack is hosting the inaugural meeting of an MJB support group and begins to tell the audience his story.

"We all entered this world thanks to a coked-up, slutty, one-night stand," he says.

And with that, we're taken through the history of the Stones through the eyes of a rock star's illegitimate child.

Albert has some history at the Fringe as author of past plays Cut! and Ba Ha Ha: An Architectural Comedy. I knew going in that he lives with cerebral palsy and I was curious to see what effect it would have on his performance.

The condition impedes



Lyle Victor Albert as Jack

"We all entered this world thanks to a coked-up, slutty one-night stand."

Albert's speech and at times it can be difficult to understand him, but for this play, it works. I really couldn't picture Mick Jagger's actual kids sounding or looking any different.

Albert cleverly interlaced Stones lyrics throughout the play and developed a character that the audience could sympathize with.

Jumpin' Jack is the story of a boy trying to find his family. But what makes this play

so good is that he's not trying to find his rich and famous father — although he remains a devoted fan and lives his life with a Rolling Stones soundtrack in the background.

Instead, Jack is searching for his mother, who had a coked-up one-night stand, then dropped him off at a hay-loft before splitting while he was in a four-year coma.

Normally I can't get no satisfaction from solo performances but Jumpin' Jack is pure rock 'n' roll.

Jumpin' Jack runs tomorrow at the Strathcona Community League, Big Rock Stage 2.

Madonna hits the road at age 50

T O U R S

Madonna kicks off her Sticky & Sweet world tour at Cardiff's Millennium Stadium tomorrow, the latest test of her enduring appeal that comes a week after her 50th birthday.

The "queen of pop" will be hoping to eclipse her last trot across the globe in 2006. Confessions became the top-grossing tour ever by a female artist with ticket sales of \$195 million U.S.

Sticky & Sweet will feature hits that span nearly 30 years in pop music including her latest album Hard Candy.

As of Thursday, roughly half the tour venues had yet to sell out including Cardiff, although Live Nation announced in June that the tour was on target to gross more than \$250 million U.S.

Sticky & Sweet is also a major test for Live Nation, the tour company that signed Madonna to a 10-year contract in 2007 reported to be worth a total of \$120 million U.S. **REUTERS**

Madge facts

- Madonna Louise Veronica Ciccone was born in Bay City, Mich., on Aug. 16, 1958.
- Her breakthrough came in 1984 when she signed a record deal and made hits like a Virgin and Holiday.
- The Recording Industry Association of America has described her as the best-selling female rock artist of the 20th century with 63 million certified album sales. **REUTERS**



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Shetty wishes Goody well

Indian actress Shilpa Shetty, far right, said she wished Jade Goody, right, well after the star was diagnosed with cervical cancer, BBC news online reports. It comes 18 months after Goody was accused of racism towards Shetty on the UK version of Celebrity Big Brother. **METRO EDMONTON**



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Few new fans for Mad Men

IntelleVision



MAD LOVE: AMC spent a fabled fortune in promotion leading up to the premiere of the second season of *Mad Men* just over a month ago, but it doesn't seem to be paying off in the numbers — according to a story in the New York Post this week, last Sunday's episode saw rating return to last season's average of around 1.1 million. That's a loss of a million viewers since the show's heavily hyped return to the airwaves, with a "season-low 514,000 viewers among persons 18-49, according to Nielsen."

Which means that *Mad Men*'s core viewership is sticking with the show, though few new fans have been made — or most of them are, like me, watching the thing on TiVo days after the show airs. Not good news for AMC, which makes me think I should be cherishing my favourite show on the air while it lasts. I'm not sure what these erstwhile new viewers were expecting, but I haven't been at all disappointed with the four episodes of *Mad Men* so far. Far from it — Matthew Weiner and his cast and crew have exceeded my expectations,

by a long shot.

While it was clear from the first episode that *Mad Men* was going to be a workplace drama, it's delivered on more than that. The anguished intrigues in the Sterling Cooper offices are still driving the show, but its forays into the personal lives of the employees and their families are threatening to shift the focus — not that I'm complaining.

Last Sunday's show crammed in a lot of goings-on for a series that's reputedly "slow moving," including several indelible glimpses into the family life of Jon Hamm's Don Draper and his restive wife Betty (January Jones). From a frisky prelude to coitus interrupted

by the kids to the pathological misbehaviour of the youngest, Bobby, and the precociousness of his sister Sally (speculating to zaffig office manager Joan that she'll have "big ones" like her when she grows up), the episode provoked many wincing of recognition from anyone once or currently in the business of raising a family. (And remember — all appearances to the contrary, *Mad Men* isn't really about the early '60s as much as it's about our own lives, today, refracted through that idealized past.)

The richest moment was the giddy conclusion to a family Saturday together, a moment shattered when Bobby breaks his parents' bed and Don

and Betty lose their temper before a chagrined realization that they've forgotten to feed their kids. Threading through it all was the tension between Don and Betty on disciplining their children, and Don's quiet refusal to take after his own abusive dad, which led to a poignant scene between Don and Bobby.

I'm hoping that Weiner isn't going to take the awkward friendship between Peggy (Elizabeth Moss) and an eager young

priest played by Colin Hanks to the same predictable place such relationships inevitably go, but he's doing a fantastic job of recapturing the fragile, sometimes painful dignity of working class urban life just before the cultural cataclysm of the '60s.

Enjoy it all while you can.

Rick McGinnis writes about music, movies, books and television, but not opera.



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Reality series to spotlight Blonde ambition

NEW SERIES Lifetime is heading to the American capital, green-lighting an unscripted series starring a trio of 20-something socialites who want to make their mark on Washington both socially and professionally.

The six-episode series, *Blonde Charity Mafia*, takes its name from an exclusive group of young women who make the rounds of Washington's social circuit. The show will feature Katherine Kennedy and Krista Johnson, who are said to throw hot-ticket charity functions. **REUTERS**

Telemundo ratings ride Olympic wave

GAMES COVERAGE NBC-owned Hispanic broadcast network Telemundo's Summer Olympics coverage drew 12 million unique persons during the first 10 days of the Games, surpassing by 12 per cent the audience for its entire coverage of the 2004 Athens Games.

This is the second Olympics broadcast for Telemundo, and the network is offering 380 hours of exclusive coverage through its standard daily broadcast schedule. It's also offering coverage via its website *OlimpiadasTelemundo.com*. **REUTERS**

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	3	KHQ	-	370	News	Raymond	Jeopardy!	Wheel-Fortune	XXIX Summer Olympics (HDTV)			
	4	CBXT	-	307	(4) XXIX Summer Olympics (HDTV)					XXIX Summer Olympics (HDTV) (Live)		
	6	KREM	-	372	NFL Preseason Football Houston Texans at Dallas Cowboys.			Hollywood	Paid Program	Friends	Paid Program	Paid Program
	7	CKEM	241	347	Two-Half Men	Two-Half Men	Stargate Atlantis	Reaper "The Leak"		The Collector		Your City
	8	CTV	240	339	ET Canada	Entertainment	Swingtown	Collateral *** (2004, Suspense) Tom Cruise.				News Hour
	12	CBFT	119	705	China	La Zone olympique (N) (SC)		Le Téléjournal	Les XXIXe Jeux Olympiques d'été (HDTV)			
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	19	CHTV	-	-	70s Show	E News	Heath Ledger: TBS	Dr. 90210 (N)		20/20 "Babyland" (N)		News (N)
	22	KSPS	-	374	NewsHour With Jim Lehrer		Wash. Week	Foreign	NOW on PBS	Bill Moyers Journal (N)		Frankie Laine
	15	CBGN	502	-	CBC News: The National	CBC News: The National	CBC News: The National	CBC News: The National		CBC News: The National		fifth estate
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	25	A&E	615	520	CSI: Miami (HDTV)		The Cleaner (HDTV)	Criminal Minds "Poison"		CSI: Miami (HDTV)		CSI: Miami
	29	FOOD	603	561	Tasty Travels	Food Safari	Diner, Drive-In	Dinner Imposs.	Glutton-Punish.	Iron Chef America		Tasty Travels
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	8	CTV	240	339	Andromeda		Largo Winch	Andromeda (Part 2 of 2)		renewedepress	renewedepress	News (N)
	12	CBFT	119	705	Match	La Zone olympique (Series Finale) (N) (SC)		Le Téléjournal	Les XXIXe Jeux Olympiques d'été (HDTV)			
	13	KXLY	-	371	4 News at 6	The Insider (N)	Entertainment Tonight	Madagascar *** (2005, Comedy) Voices of Ben Stiller.				Eli Stone
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	22	KSPS	-	374	The Lawrence Welk Show		May-December	Time Goes By		Great Performances		Great Performances
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	94	SCORE	410	403	Hardcore Champ. Fight	Poker Pacific: Poker UK Open.		Poker Aussie Millions			Score Update		Score Update
	14	TYV	552	543	Racing Stripes ** (2005, Comedy)	Bruce Greenwood, M. Emmet Walsh.		Prank Patrol			The Next Star		Falcon Beach
	17	TREE	553	546	Babar	Mighty Mach	Bucket-Dinos	Tipi Tales	Dragon (DVS)		Backyardigans	Dora-Explorer	Go, Diego, Go!
	45	FAM	557	541	Natural-Sadie	Flight 29 Down	That's-Raven	Zoe 101	Life Derek	Han. Montana	Ernest Goes to Jail ** (1990, Comedy)		
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	29	FOOD	603	561	Iron Chef America		Jamie at Home	Nigella	Road Grill	Licence to Grill	Iron Chef America		Jamie at Home
	32	DISC	520	505	Mammals vs. Dinos		MythBusters "Dog Myths"		Rogue Nature "Lions"		Mammals vs. Dinos		Mammal-Dino
	38	SPIKE	628	584	UFC Unleashed		S.I.S. (2008, Crime Drama) Keith David, Colleen Porch.				CSI: Crime Scene Investgtn.		S.I.S. (2008)
	43	SPACE	627	528	Descent (2005, Science Fiction) Luke Perry.		Trinity (2002, Science Fiction)				Tremors 4: The Legend Begins		
	50	STAR	621	56	Celebrity Rehab With Dr. Drew		Girl Next Door	Old Skool	Scott Baio Is 46... Pregnant		Celebrity Rehab With Dr. Drew		Katie & Peter



Actress Angie Harmon has confirmed she's pregnant just two weeks after her husband denied initial reports. Football star Jason Sehorn shot down the rumours they were expecting a third child. But now a representative for the pair has confirmed Harmon is pregnant. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

Harmon is pregnant

Celebrity Buzz

Ifans spirals out of control at birthday

PARTY Rhys Ifans ruined his new girlfriend's birthday party earlier this week.

The hellraising actor was celebrating Kimberly Stewart turning 29 at a London club when he spotted a fellow reveller getting close to his lover.

Rhys grabbed the man, thought to be one of his friends, in a headlock and hurled abuse at him.

He screamed: "F-k off. Don't touch my bird! Let's take this outside, you think you're a big man?"

After security broke up the fight, the Not-

ting Hill star — who is also the frontman of Welsh rock outfit The Peth — fell into a table and sent glasses smashing on the floor.

Ifans — who split from actress Sienna Miller earlier this year — was seen with a small mouse-tache drawn on his upper lip and said he was a "big fan of Hitler."

He also simulated sex on a friend who had fallen over on the dance floor.

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GETTY IMAGES PHOTOS

Clooney buys fan a car

CRASH George Clooney bought a female fan a new car after damaging her vehicle in an accident.

The Ocean's Eleven star was driving in Pennabilli, Italy when he shunted an unnamed woman's car from behind.

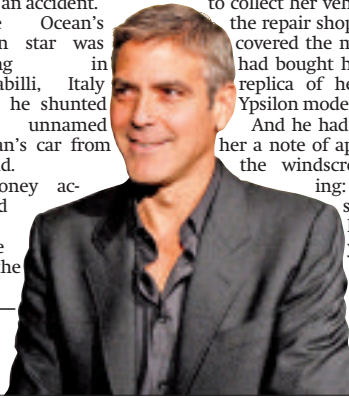
Clooney accepted the blame for the incident — and made the

generous gesture of giving her a brand new car.

When the woman went to collect her vehicle from the repair shop, she discovered the movie star had bought her a new replica of her Lancia Ypsilon model.

And he had even left her a note of apology on the windshield, saying: "I'm so sorry. Hope you'll forgive me. George Clooney."

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Allen won't say no to drugs

BAD PERSON Lily Allen doesn't know if she will stop taking drugs. The Smile singer, who attempted to punch a passerby after leaving a London nightclub this week, admits she isn't a "good person" when she is under the influence of illegal substances but still can't bring herself to quit.

She

told Paper magazine: "I'm not going to say I'm never going to do drugs again. I just know I'm not a good person on drugs."

However, she insists she did stop using recreational drugs after she discovered she was pregnant last November. Lily, who suffered a miscarriage in January, says she vowed to clean up her life for the sake of her unborn child.

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celebrity brief

Cyber love for Gomez and Jonas?

TEXT Selena Gomez and boyfriend Nick Jonas have taken their love online. The teens can't stop sending each other saucy e-mails and texts since hooking up earlier this

summer — and while the e-mails aren't X-rated, they drip with innuendo. "I love your mouth and I love your smile. It totally melts me," Nick, 15, wrote to Selena, 16.

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celebrity brief

Driver cited in LaBeouf crash

RUNNING A RED The other driver involved in actor Shia LaBeouf's recent car crash has been cited for running a red light and causing the accident which put the Transformers star in hospital with a smashed hand. The movie star's truck flipped twice after

LaBeouf collided with 21-year-old Simon Herbert's vehicle in Hollywood on July 27.

LaBeouf has since undergone hand surgery.

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Horses made Bale's career

ACTING Batman star Christian Bale has put his successful acting career down to skills he learned riding horses. The actor is a keen horse rider and insists he has gained his most vital acting technique from the activity — confidence. He says, "I love horses. I've learned from them. Once you master a horse — but it also masters you — you gain more confidence in yourself."

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"This makes no sense at all..."

by Joe O'Neill

So Nick Jonas and Selena Gomez are together, and we know this because sources are leaking Nick's online correspondence. Incidentally, how do they know such gems as, "I love your mouth and I love your smile" aren't just lyrics he's workshopping? Why am I wasting a second of my life thinking about this?

At least we now have some closure on the debate that has been raging on the Internet for the past month, which effectively divided legions of 'tweens into pro-Selena and pro-Nick camps. The question as to the authenticity of this relationship will no doubt be played out in true celebrity tradition through a series of denials, confirmations, contradictions, and hacked cellphone photo releases.

But the greater question to be considered involves Mickey Mouse as Matchmaker of Mamon. From Frankie and Annette to Britney and Justin through Zac and Vanessa, Disney entertainment properties have hooked up before, but never has the Golden Child, the perfect storm of profitability issued from said loins. Every time two people such as these youngsters get together, it is impossible not to consider that possibility, and if the birth of such a child could be considered a sign of the Apocalypse, or just a reason to destroy your television.

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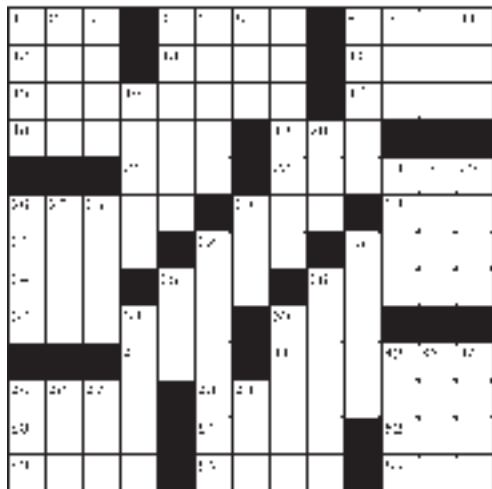
Not-so-smooth kiss

Jonathan Rhys Meyers was forced to halt filming on *Match Point* while kissing Scarlett Johansson — so that he could shave. She says, "Kissing him wasn't that bad, but he did have to stop and shave in the middle of a scene, even though he'd shaved that morning."

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Take Five

**Crossword down**

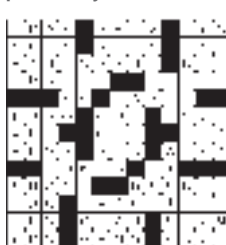
- 1 Undergoes recession
- 2 Body powder
- 3 Neighbourhood
- 4 Planned in detail, with "out"
- 5 Ouzo flavouring
- 6 Hostel
- 7 Miraculous
- 8 Landscape, e.g.
- 9 Orbit segment
- 10 "Go, team!"
- 11 Past
- 16 Sprite-like
- 20 Branch
- 23 Jacob's brother
- 24 Hit repeatedly
- 25 "Boola Boola" campus
- 26 G-men
- 27 Count counterpart
- 28 Verifiable
- 29 Tie up the phone
- 32 Horses
- 33 Puppy
- 35 Make up your mind
- 36 It's said to make you smile
- 38 Jed Clampett actor
- 39 Villainous look
- 42 Prevaricator
- 43 Concerning
- 44 Like quiche
- 45 — de deux
- 46 Matterhorn or Jungfrau
- 47 Floral garland
- 49 Zee preceder

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Crossword across

- 1 Timetable abbr.
- 4 Cripple
- 8 Poet Teasdale
- 12 Prohibit
- 13 King of Siam's friend
- 14 Mountaineer's foothold
- 15 Censor's job
- 17 Canyon comeback
- 18 Resells for a big profit
- 19 McShane or McKellen
- 21 Retainer
- 22 Gooseflesh inducing
- 26 Stinky
- 29 Sweet potato
- 30 Vast expanse
- 31 Have coming
- 32 Western st.
- 33 Humpty's perch
- 34 Actress Joanne
- 35 Erstwhile acorn
- 36 Paratrooper's need
- 37 Bashful friend?
- 39 The girl
- 40 A/C meas.
- 41 "South Pacific" heroine
- 45 The gang
- 48 Comprehensive
- 50 Sheltered
- 51 Spuds' buds
- 52 S.A. nation
- 53 Rotate
- 54 Withered
- 55 Monterrey monarch

previous day's answer

**This day in history**

AUG. 22, 565: St. Columba reports seeing a monster in Loch Ness, Scotland.
 AUG. 22, 1775: King George III declares the American colonies to be in open rebellion.
 AUG. 22, 1849: First air raid in history. Austria launched pilotless balloons against the Italian city of Venice.
 AUG. 22, 1949: Queen Charlotte earthquake: Canada's largest earthquake since the 1700 Cascadia earthquake.
 AUG. 22, 2007: The Texas Rangers rout the Baltimore Orioles 30-3, the most runs scored by a team in modern MLB history.
 AUG. 22, 2007: The Storm botnet, a botnet created by the Storm Worm, sends out a record 57 million e-mails in one day.

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WORDY GURDY**HOW TO PLAY SUDOKU:**

The digits 1 through 9 will appear exactly once in each row, each column, and each zone. (A zone is an outlined 3x3 grid within the larger puzzle grid. There are nine of these zones in the puzzle.) Do not enter a digit into a box if it already appears elsewhere in the same 3x3 zone, or in the same row across the puzzle, or column down the puzzle.

**SUDOKU SOLVE TIME
IN MINUTES:**

previous day's answer

5	9	6	4	1	3	2	7	8
1	8	4	6	2	7	5	9	3
7	2	3	9	5	8	6	1	4
8	1	2	5	7	9	4	3	6
6	7	5	2	3	4	1	8	9
4	3	9	8	6	1	7	2	5
2	4	8	1	9	6	3	5	7
9	5	7	3	4	2	8	6	1
3	6	1	7	8	5	9	4	2

Under 13: Genius
 13-17: Scholar

Horoscopes

AVATAR VENUS

ARIES**MARCH 21-APRIL 20**

Mistaken identity causes confusing events. A sanitary problem ruins a good first impression. A fairy tale comes true.

TAURUS**APRIL 21-MAY 21**

A bad situation can't last forever. A handy man avoids work due to exhaustion. A friendly enemy needs your support.

GEMINI**MAY 22-JUNE 21**

You can make progress in a love affair. Tensions at work will dwindle. Someone's dreadful deeds will raise your spirits.

CANCER**JUNE 22-JULY 22**

A talkative neighbour tries to pull a fast one. A woman goes for the throat in business. A joker will lose hope after making an unbelievable demand.

LEO**JULY 23-AUG 23**

Mechanical problems will slow you down. Someone's plans are a sensitive issue. A shadowy man should be avoided.

VIRGO**AUG 24-SEPT 22**

Your money holds the interest of a relative. Play it safe for the best outcome. An upset jerk has serious emotional problems.

LIBRA**SEPT 23-OCT 23**

Resistance is weakening but don't give in to your sweet tooth. You'll be asked to go out on the town. Something is causing emotional turmoil.

SCORPIO**OCT 24-NOV 22**

An unethical person is sent off after being unfair. A sneering creep mutters under his breath. A relative makes a life-altering decision.

SAGITTARIUS**NOV 23-DEC 21**

Don't be surprised when someone is late again. People won't hear you speaking the truth. Romantic events will come to a climax.

CAPRICORN**DEC 22-JAN 20**

A hero will be the first to pay for treats. A wimpy buddy wants to look you up. Don't be scared when a strange event occurs.

AQUARIUS**JAN 21-FEB 18**

You'll jump for joy when a wish is granted. A man is on your side in an argument. A shouting person will make you smile.

PISCES**FEB 19-MAR 20**

You'll discover a solution to a pesky problem. Don't show disdain for an untidy appearance. A buddy gives you cause for concern.

Sudoku

2			8		3			
3	5						9	6
	4			7		8		
	9		1	2				7
		2				6		
1				6	8		5	
		5		3			7	
8	2					6	1	
			6	4				2

17-21: Smart
 21-25: Not bad
 25+: Keep practising
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Variable.
17°

Tonight

Partly
cloudy.
Low 9°

Saturday

Mainly sunny.
22° / 9°

Sunday

Sunny.
26° / 13°

Monday

Partly sunny.
21° / 9°



Temperature
Normals
High: 21.8°
Low: 8.5°

Records
High: 30°/1946
Low: -1.2°/1992

Sunrise: 6:26 a.m.
Sunset: 8:45 p.m.
Moonset: 2:18 p.m.
Moonrise: 10:13 p.m.

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